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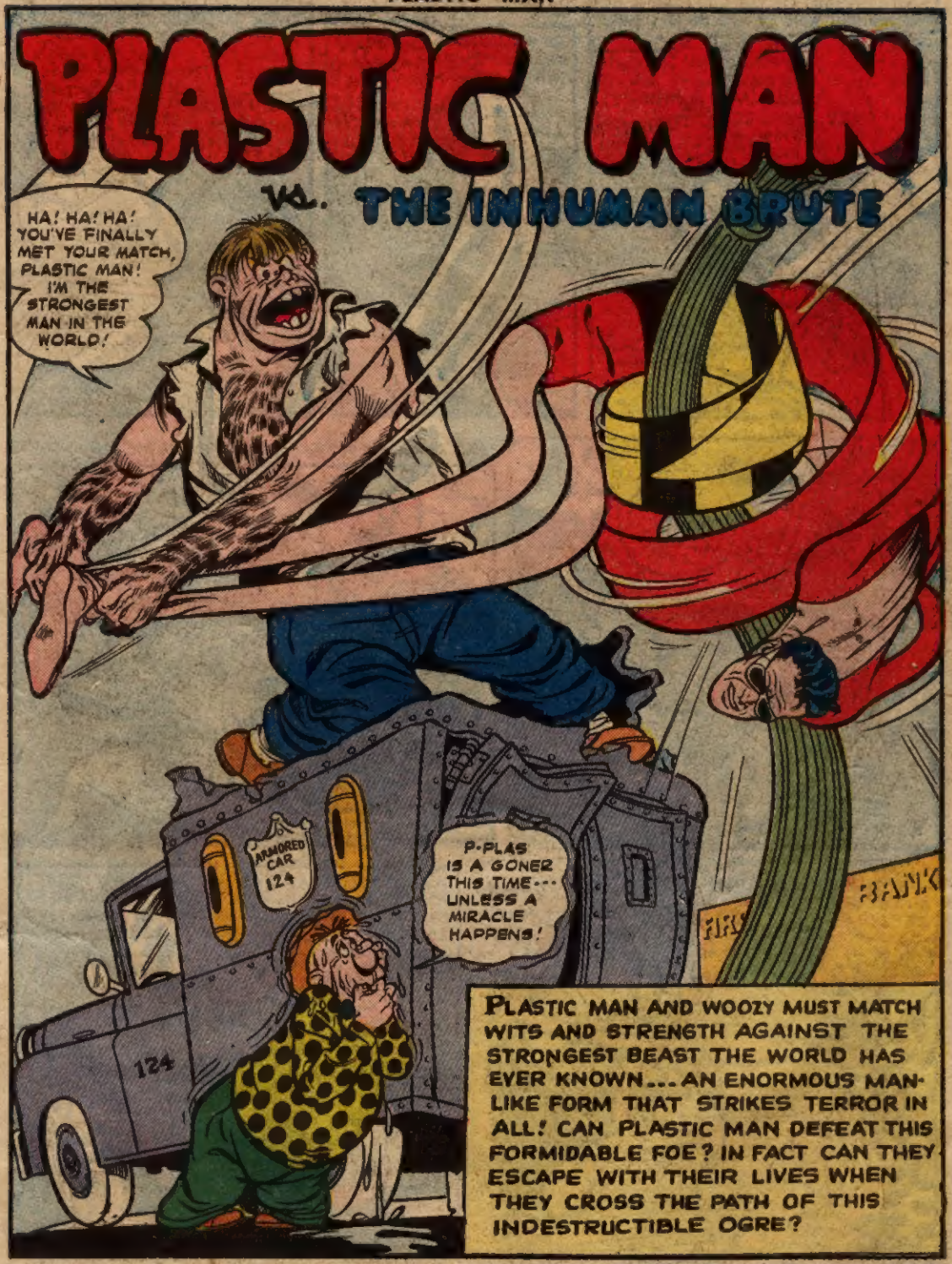
PLASTIC MAN
VS. THE INHUMAN BRUTE
HA! HA! HA! YOU'VE FINALLY MET YOUR MATCH, PLASTIC MAN! I'M THE STRONGEST MAN IN THE WORLD!
ARMORED CAR 124
P-PLAS IS A GONER THIS TIME--- UNLESS A MIRACLE HAPPENS!
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PLASTIC MAN AND WOOZY MUST MATCH WITS AND STRENGTH AGAINST THE STRONGEST BEAST THE WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN... AN ENORMOUS MAN-LIKE FORM THAT STRIKES TERROR IN ALL! CAN PLASTIC MAN DEFEAT THIS FORMIDABLE FOE? IN FACT CAN THEY ESCAPE WITH THEIR LIVES WHEN THEY CROSS THE PATH OF THIS INDESTRUCTIBLE OGRE?

IN THE HEART OF THE CITY PLASTIC MAN AND HIS PAL WOOZY, ARE ON AN URGENT CASE---
WUXTRA! WUXTRA! READ ALL ABOUT IT! GIANT OGRE ON CRIME RAMPAGE!
GOSH, PLAS DO YOU THINK THE OGRE REALLY HEADED THIS WAY?
COULD BE, WOOZY!
SUDDENLY ---
HE WAS LAST SEEN ENTERING THE PARK AND--- SUFFERING SNAKES! LOOK!
YEOW!
WHAT A CREATURE!
LET'S FLIP THIS CHARACTER OVER ON HIS BACK AND SEE IF WE CAN TAKE THE FIGHT OUT OF HIM, WOOZY!
RIGHT, PLAS!
ONE GIANT OGRE COMING UP!
LET'S GET HIM WHILE HE'S DAZED!
BUT ABRUPTLY A FEARFUL CRY FILLS THE AIR AND---
U-ULP
ARRRRGH
---STOP YOUR GROWLING AND BE A NICE LITTLE OGRE!
H-HUH?
OKAY, WOOZY! CALL THE POLICE WHILE I KEEP THIS MONSTER BOUND UP!
YOU BETCHA, PLAS! WOW! THAT WAS FAST WORK!
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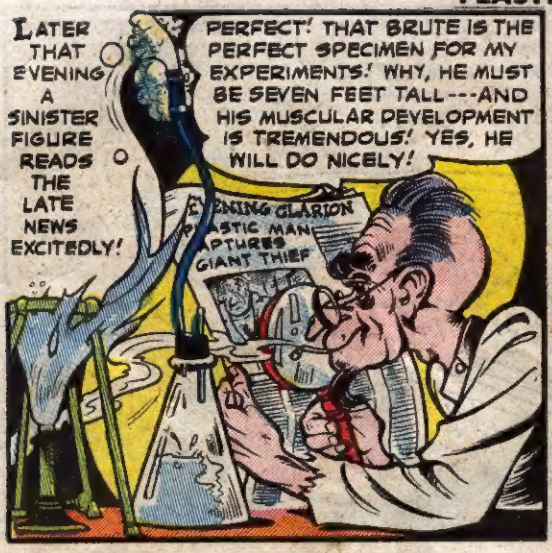

LATER THAT EVENING A SINISTER FIGURE READS THE LATE NEWS EXCITEDLY!
PERFECT! THAT BRUTE IS THE PERFECT SPECIMEN FOR MY EXPERIMENTS! WHY, HE MUST BE SEVEN FEET TALL---AND HIS MUSCULAR DEVELOPMENT IS TREMENDOUS! YES, HE WILL DO NICELY!
EVENING CLARION
PLASTIC MAN CAPTURES GIANT THIEF

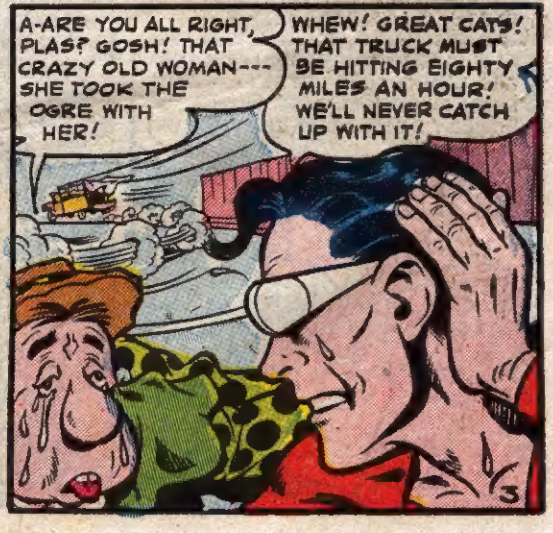
SEVERAL DAYS LATER, A BENT OLD WOMAN HUDDLES OVER A TRUCK OUTSIDE CITY JAIL---
WELL, PLASTIC MAN, WE'LL GET THIS MONSTER UP TO THE STATE PRISON WHERE HE'LL BE GUARDED BETTER! THANKS A MILLION FOR TAKING TIME OUT FROM YOUR F.B.I. DUTIES TO GET HIM FOR US!
GLAD TO HELP OUT, CHIEF!
CAN YOU DIRECT ME TO THE TOWN HALL PLEASE?
CITY JAIL

I HAVE SOMETHING TO DELIVER--- I'M NEW IN THIS TOWN!
SURE! YOU TAKE THE NEXT STREET--- TURN RIGHT AND---

SUDDENLY, THE OLD WOMAN WHIPS OUT A TEAR GAS PISTOL AND---
OH, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! YOU'RE SO KIND!
WHA---
ULP!
OHH!

WOOMPH

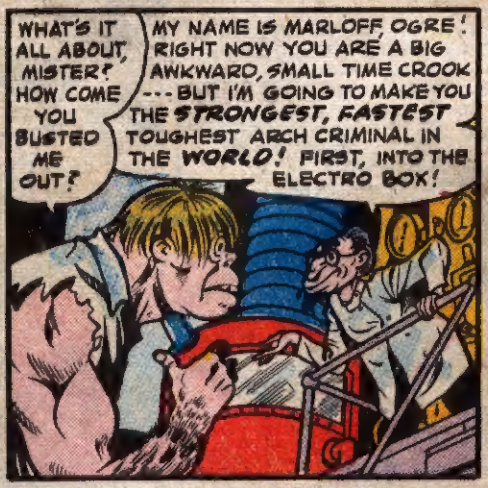
HURRY, YOU BIG OAF! I'VE COME TO RESCUE YOU!
HUH? S-SURE! TANKS, MA-AM--- ER---I MEAN, MISTER!


A-ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, PLAS? GOSH! THAT CRAZY OLD WOMAN--- SHE TOOK THE OGRE WITH HER!
WHEW! GREAT CATS! THAT TRUCK MUST BE HITTING EIGHTY MILES AN HOUR! WE'LL NEVER CATCH UP WITH IT!

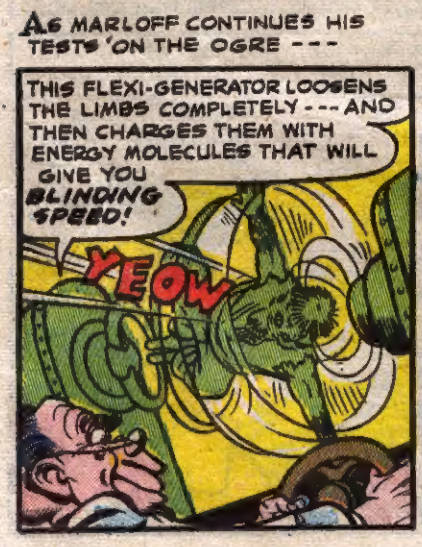
CAN YOU SEE THEM, PLAS?
THEY'RE HEADING INTO THE HILLS, WOOZY! LET'S HIGH-TAIL IT UP THERE!

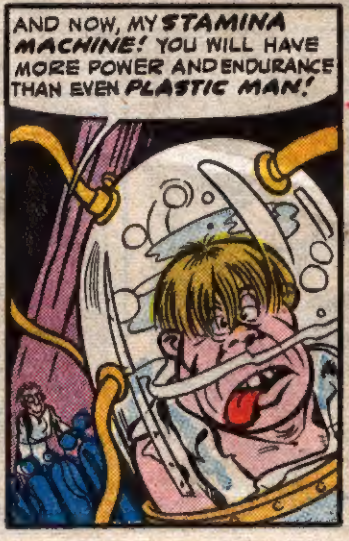
YIPE! I'M LOSING MY MIND!
NO, YOU'RE NOT!--- IT'S PLASTIC MAN!
THAT CHARACTER WHO DRESSED UP LIKE A LITTLE OLD WOMAN SURE HOODWINKED US, WOOZY! I WONDER WHO HE WAS?

MEANWHILE IN A SECRET LABORATORY AT MARLOFF MANOR---

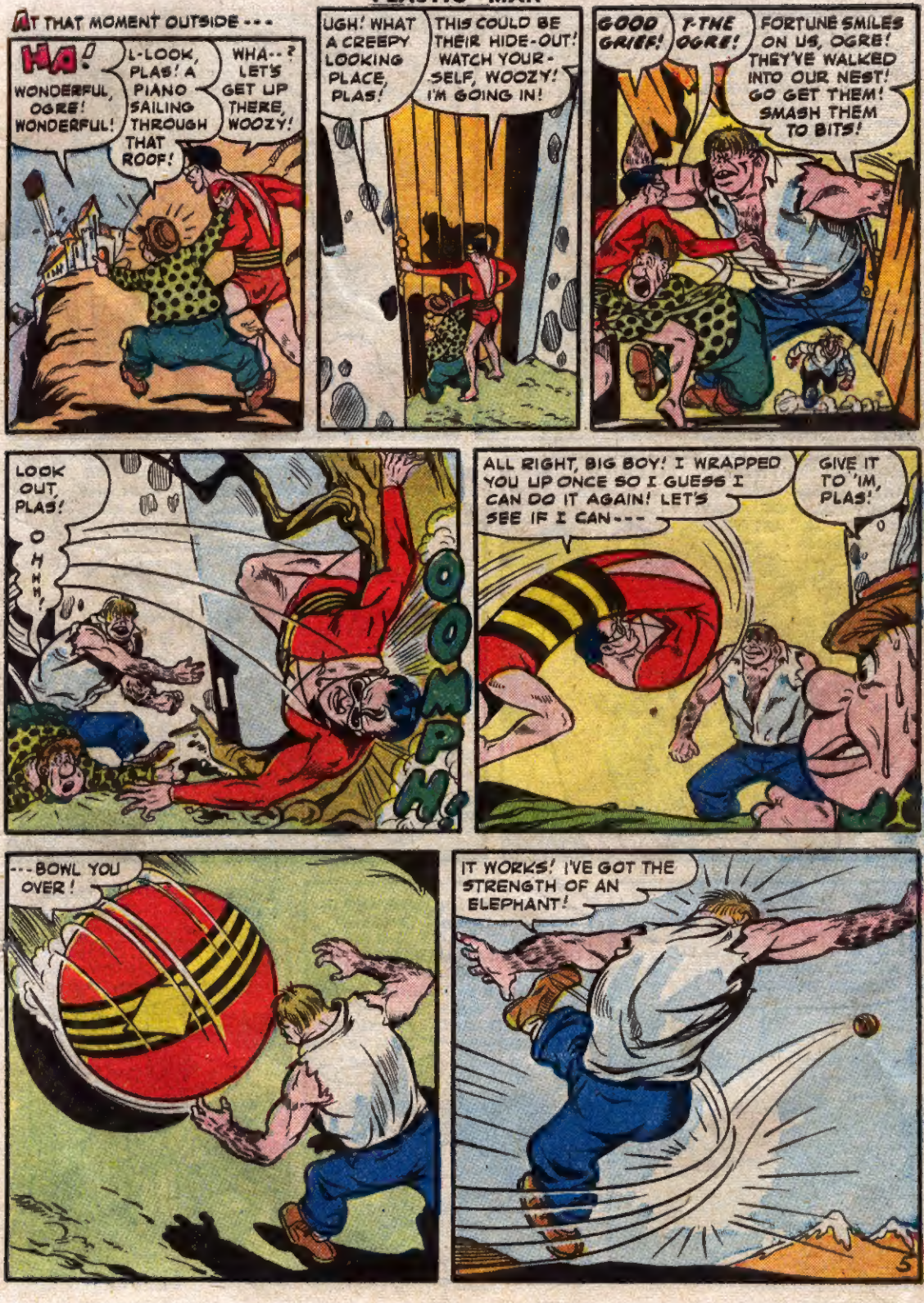

WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT, MISTER? HOW COME YOU BUSTED ME OUT?
MY NAME IS MARLOFF, OGRE! RIGHT NOW YOU ARE A BIG AWKWARD, SMALL TIME CROOK --- BUT I'M GOING TO MAKE YOU THE STRONGEST, FASTEST TOUGHEST ARCH CRIMINAL IN THE WORLD! FIRST, INTO THE ELECTRO BOX!

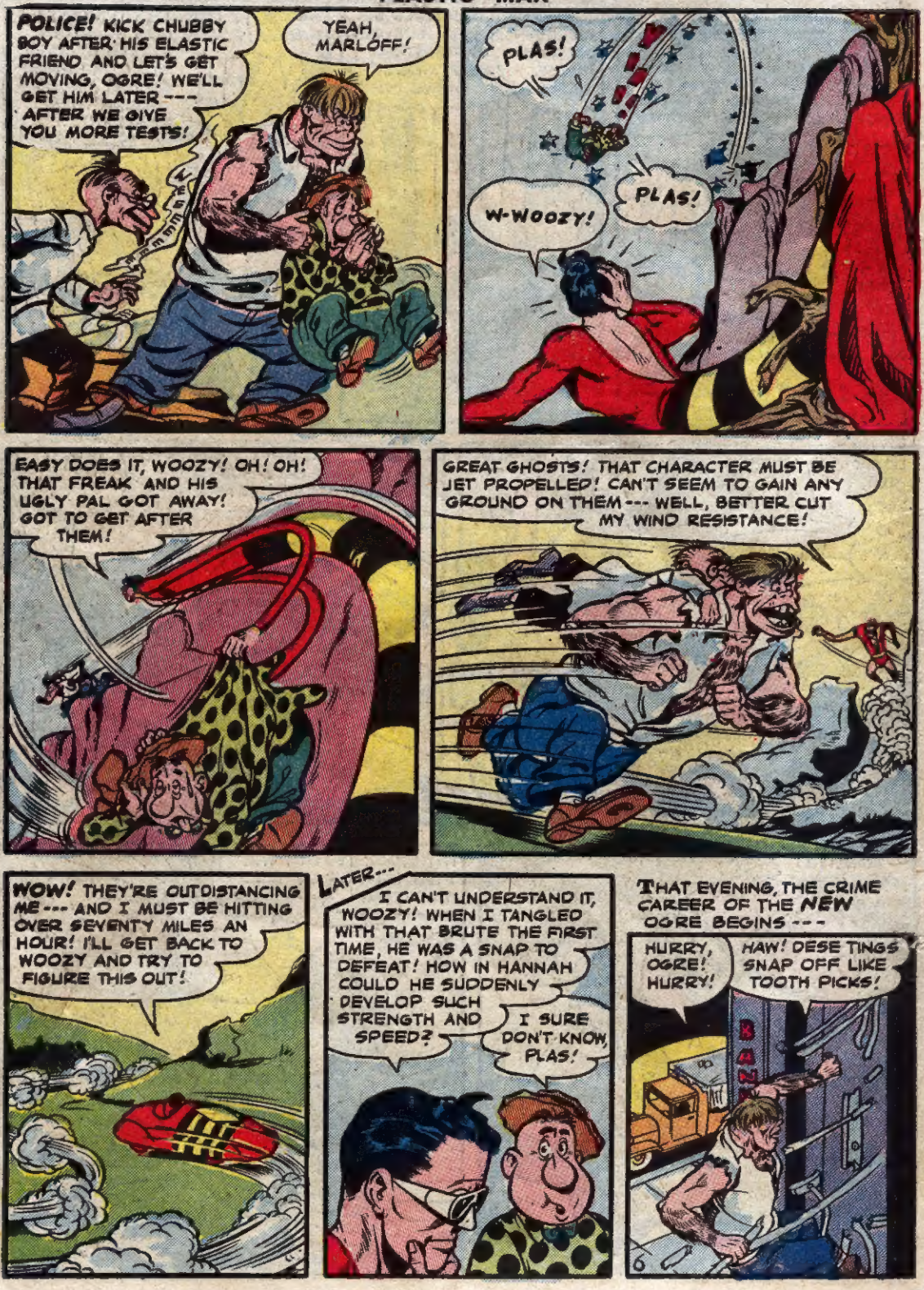
MY CONDENSED LIGHTNING WILL PENETRATE YOUR MUSCULAR TISSUES AND FILL THEM WITH ELECTRIC ENERGY! IT WILL GIVE YOU STUPENDOUS POWER!
N-NO KIDDING!


AS MARLOFF CONTINUES HIS TESTS ON THE OGRE ---
THIS FLEXI-GENERATOR LOOSENS THE LIMBS COMPLETELY --- AND THEN CHARGES THEM WITH ENERGY MOLECULES THAT WILL GIVE YOU BLINDING SPEED!
YEOW


AND NOW, MY STAMINA MACHINE! YOU WILL HAVE MORE POWER AND ENDURANCE THAN EVEN PLASTIC MAN!

FINALLY---
NOW, YOU'RE READY! YOU WILL BE MY ONE MAN ARMY AGAINST PLASTIC MAN! TOGETHER WE'LL RULE THE UNDERWORLD AND MAKE A FORTUNE!
OGRE! TRY YOUR STRENGTH ON THAT PIANO! LIFT IT!
OKAY, MARLOFF! I SURE HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT!


AT THAT MOMENT OUTSIDE ---
HA!
WONDERFUL, OGRE! WONDERFUL!
L-LOOK, PLAS! A PIANO SAILING THROUGH THAT ROOF!
WHA--? LET'S GET UP THERE, WOOZY!
UGH! WHAT A CREEPY LOOKING PLACE, PLAS!
THIS COULD BE THEIR HIDE-OUT! WATCH YOURSELF, WOOZY! I'M GOING IN!
GOOD GRIEF!
T-THE OGRE!
FORTUNE SMILES ON US, OGRE! THEY'VE WALKED INTO OUR NEST! GO GET THEM! SMASH THEM TO BITS!
LOOK OUT, PLAS!
OHHH!
OOMPH!
ALL RIGHT, BIG BOY! I WRAPPED YOU UP ONCE SO I GUESS I CAN DO IT AGAIN! LET'S SEE IF I CAN---
GIVE IT TO 'IM, PLAS!
---BOWL YOU OVER!
IT WORKS! I'VE GOT THE STRENGTH OF AN ELEPHANT!


POLICE! KICK CHUBBY BOY AFTER HIS ELASTIC FRIEND AND LET'S GET MOVING, OGRE! WE'LL GET HIM LATER --- AFTER WE GIVE YOU MORE TESTS!
YEAH, MARLOFF!
PLAS!
PLAS!
W-WOOZY!
EASY DOES IT, WOOZY! OH! OH! THAT FREAK AND HIS UGLY PAL GOT AWAY! GOT TO GET AFTER THEM!
GREAT GHOSTS! THAT CHARACTER MUST BE JET PROPELLED! CAN'T SEEM TO GAIN ANY GROUND ON THEM --- WELL, BETTER CUT MY WIND RESISTANCE!
WOW! THEY'RE OUTDISTANCING ME --- AND I MUST BE HITTING OVER SEVENTY MILES AN HOUR! I'LL GET BACK TO WOOZY AND TRY TO FIGURE THIS OUT!
LATER---
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT, WOOZY! WHEN I TANGLED WITH THAT BRUTE THE FIRST TIME, HE WAS A SNAP TO DEFEAT! HOW IN HANNAH COULD HE SUDDENLY DEVELOP SUCH STRENGTH AND SPEED?
I SURE DON'T KNOW, PLAS!
THAT EVENING, THE CRIME CAREER OF THE NEW OGRE BEGINS ---
HURRY, OGRE! HURRY!
HAW! DESE TINGS SNAP OFF LIKE TOOTH PICKS!
BANG

ON AND ON THE MONSTROUS CREATURE CONTINUES---

MARLOFF SURE IS A GENIUS! DESE COPS DON'T STAND A CHANCE AGAINST ME!

YOU'RE DOING EXCELLENT, OGRE, EXCELLENT! THAT WILL BE ENOUGH FOR ONE NIGHT--- TOMORROW WE'LL STAND THIS CITY ON ITS HEAD!

YEAH, AND DON'T WORRY, MARLOFF, I'LL FINISH PLASTIC MAN OFF FOR KEEPS NEXT TIME WE MEET!

NEXT DAY, AS PLASTIC MAN DESPERATELY SEARCHES FOR THE OGRE ---

GEE, PLAS, THAT THING IS INHUMAN! HE BREAKS BANK WALLS LIKE THEY WERE MADE OF CARD-BOARD!

YES, WOOZY WE'VE GOT TO FIND THE CREATURE'S LAIR AND STOP HIM SOMEHOW! DON'T KNOW HOW I'M GOING TO STOP SUCH A DYNAMO--- BUT WE CAN TRY!

AND NEXT MORNING ---

WHAT LUCK! WE'VE BUMPED INTO ARMORED CAR 124--- THAT'S THE ONE THAT PICKS UP THE CASH RECEIPTS FROM THE BIG DEPARTMENT STORES! GET IT, OGRE!

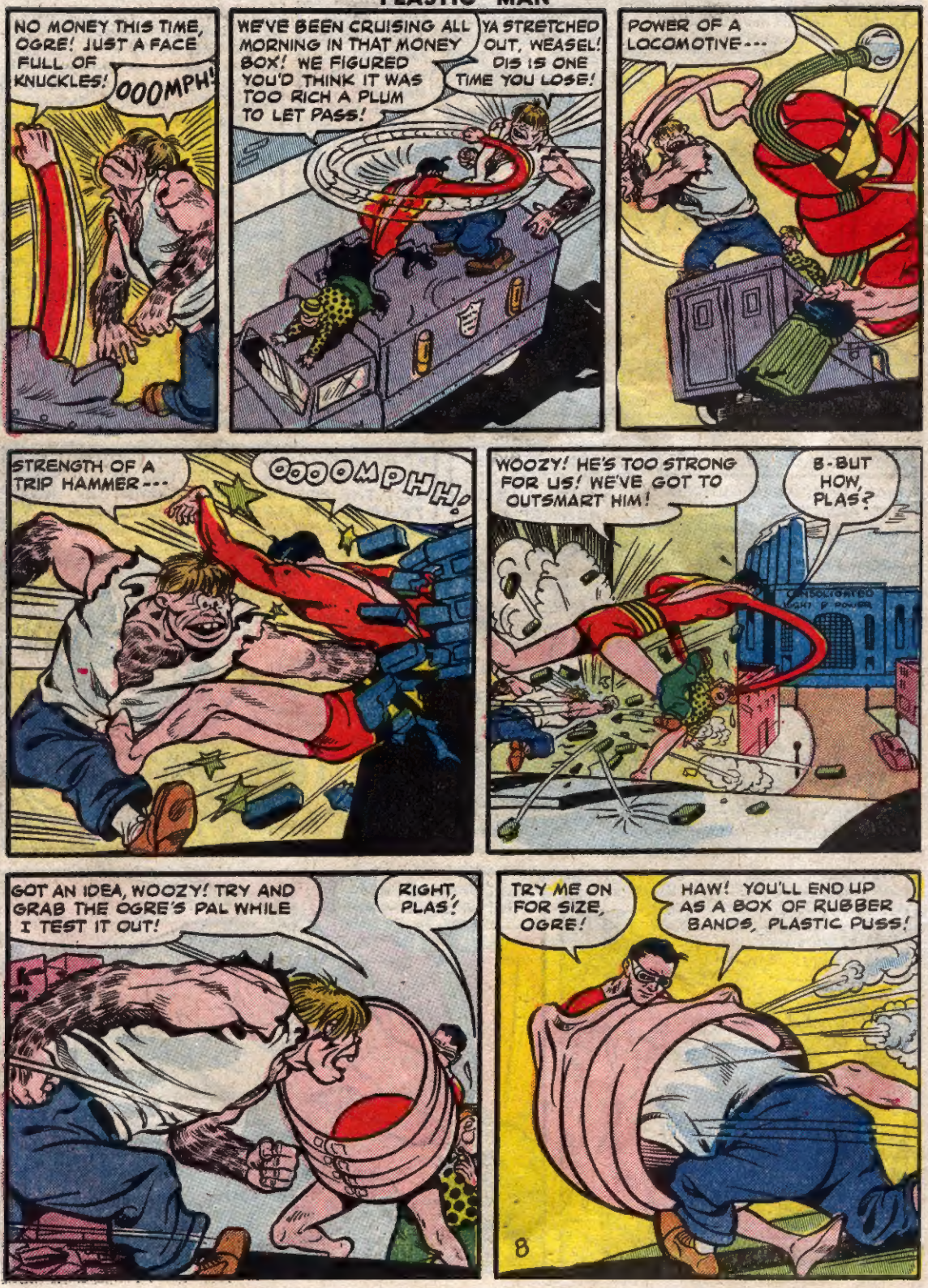
BUT, MARLOFF! EVEN WIT' MY STRENGTH ---WHAT CAN I DO AGAINST AN ARMORED CAR?

STOP THAT TALK! I'VE MADE YOU THE STRONGEST MAN ALIVE! YOU'VE GOT THE POWER OF A LOCOMOTIVE! TEAR THAT ARMORED CAR OPEN!

A-AWRIGHT!

HA! HA! WE'LL GET MILLIONS--- MILLIONS! THEN AFTER DISPOSING OF PLASTIC MAN, THE WORLD WILL BE MINE!

MARLOFF'S RIGHT! NUTTIN' CAN STOP ME---


NO MONEY THIS TIME, OGRE! JUST A FACE FULL OF KNUCKLES!
OOOMPH!
WE'VE BEEN CRUISING ALL MORNING IN THAT MONEY BOX! WE FIGURED YOU'D THINK IT WAS TOO RICH A PLUM TO LET PASS!
YA STRETCHED OUT, WEASEL! DIS IS ONE TIME YOU LOSE!
POWER OF A LOCOMOTIVE---
STRENGTH OF A TRIP HAMMER---
OOOOMPHH!
WOOZY! HE'S TOO STRONG FOR US! WE'VE GOT TO OUTSMART HIM!
B-BUT HOW, PLAS?
GOT AN IDEA, WOOZY! TRY AND GRAB THE OGRE'S PAL WHILE I TEST IT OUT!
RIGHT, PLAS!
TRY ME ON FOR SIZE, OGRE!
HAW! YOU'LL END UP AS A BOX OF RUBBER BANDS, PLASTIC PUSS!
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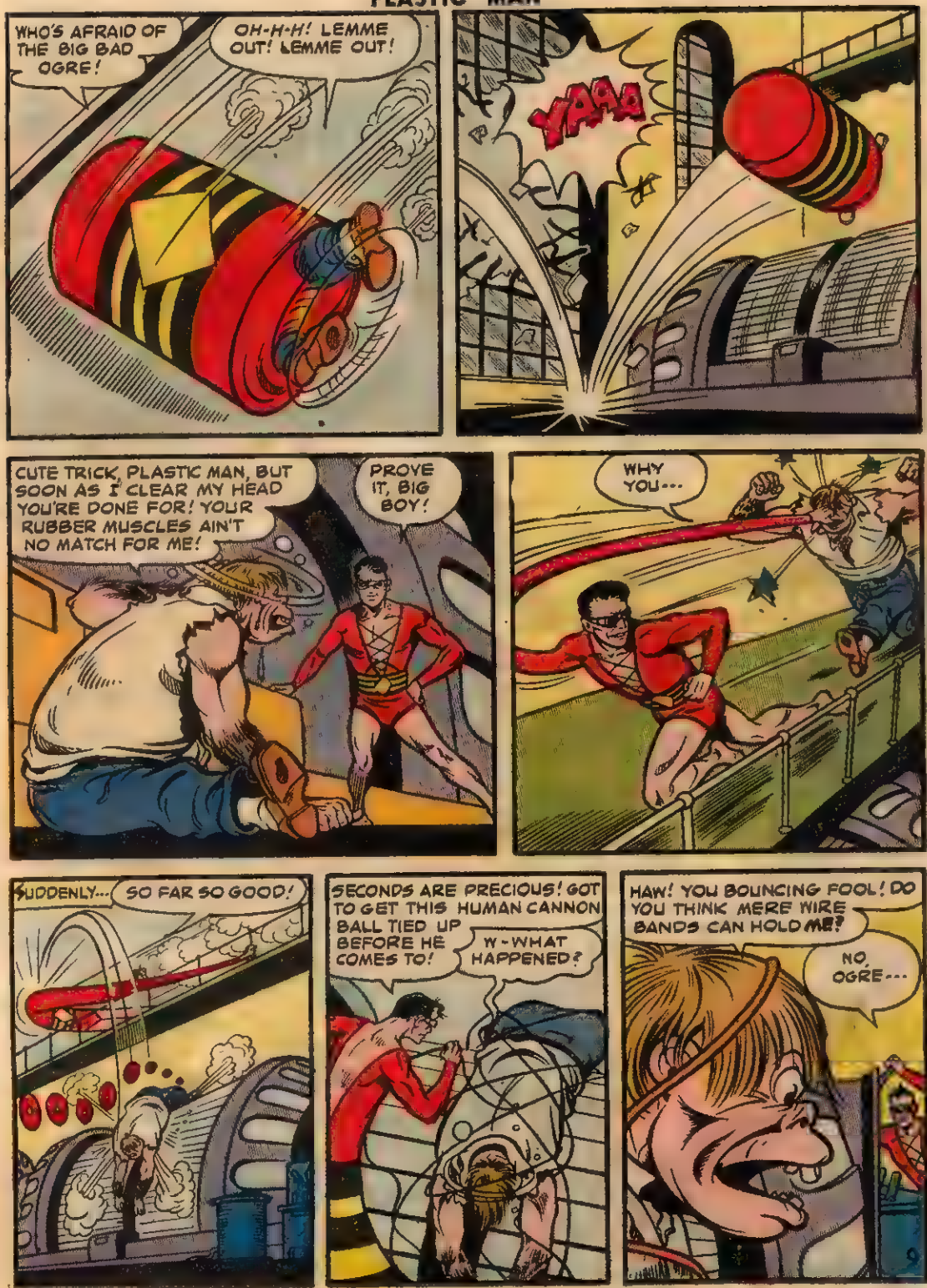
WHO'S AFRAID OF THE BIG BAD OGRE!
OH-H-H! LEMME OUT! LEMME OUT!
YAAA
CUTE TRICK, PLASTIC MAN, BUT SOON AS I CLEAR MY HEAD YOU'RE DONE FOR! YOUR RUBBER MUSCLES AIN'T NO MATCH FOR ME!
PROVE IT, BIG BOY!
WHY YOU---
SUDDENLY...
SO FAR SO GOOD!
SECONDS ARE PRECIOUS! GOT TO GET THIS HUMAN CANNON BALL TIED UP BEFORE HE COMES TO!
W-WHAT HAPPENED?
HAW! YOU BOUNCING FOOL! DO YOU THINK MERE WIRE BANDS CAN HOLD ME?
NO, OGRE---

---BUT I'M HOPING SOMETHING ELSE WILL!
WHA?
WHIZ
FIVE MINUTES AFTERWARD ---
IF I'M RIGHT THAT SHOULD JUST ABOUT DO IT! THE WIRES ARE SNAPPING ANYWAY--- CAN'T KEEP HIM ON MUCH LONGER!
T-TRICKSTER, HUH? OKAY FUNNY MAN, NOW YOU GET IT! I'M GONNA WRAP YOU UP GOOD!
READY AND WAITING, PLAYMATE!
HERE'S HOPING!
NOW I'LL ---
YOU'LL WHAT, OGRE!
H-HUH?
I-I'M WEAK AS A KITTEN! W-WHAT'S HAPPENED TO ME?
THE GENERATOR, OGRE! AS I HOPED, THE CURRENT DRAINED YOUR BODY OF ALL ITS STUPENDOUS STRENGTH! I'M AFRAID YOU'RE NOTHING BUT A WEAK KNEED THIEF NOW!
SHORTLY ---
HI YA, WOOZY! GREAT CATS! WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THAT MONEY BAG? TAKE IT BACK, WOOZY!
PUFF PUFF
IT'S THE OGRE'S PAL, PLAS! HE TOLD ME EVERYTHING! SEEMS HE USED SOME SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC STUFF TO MAKE THE OGRE STRONG!
WELL, WELL! LOOKS LIKE IT'LL TAKE A HOSPITAL TO GIVE BOTH THESE CHARACTERS ANY STRENGTH RIGHT NOW!

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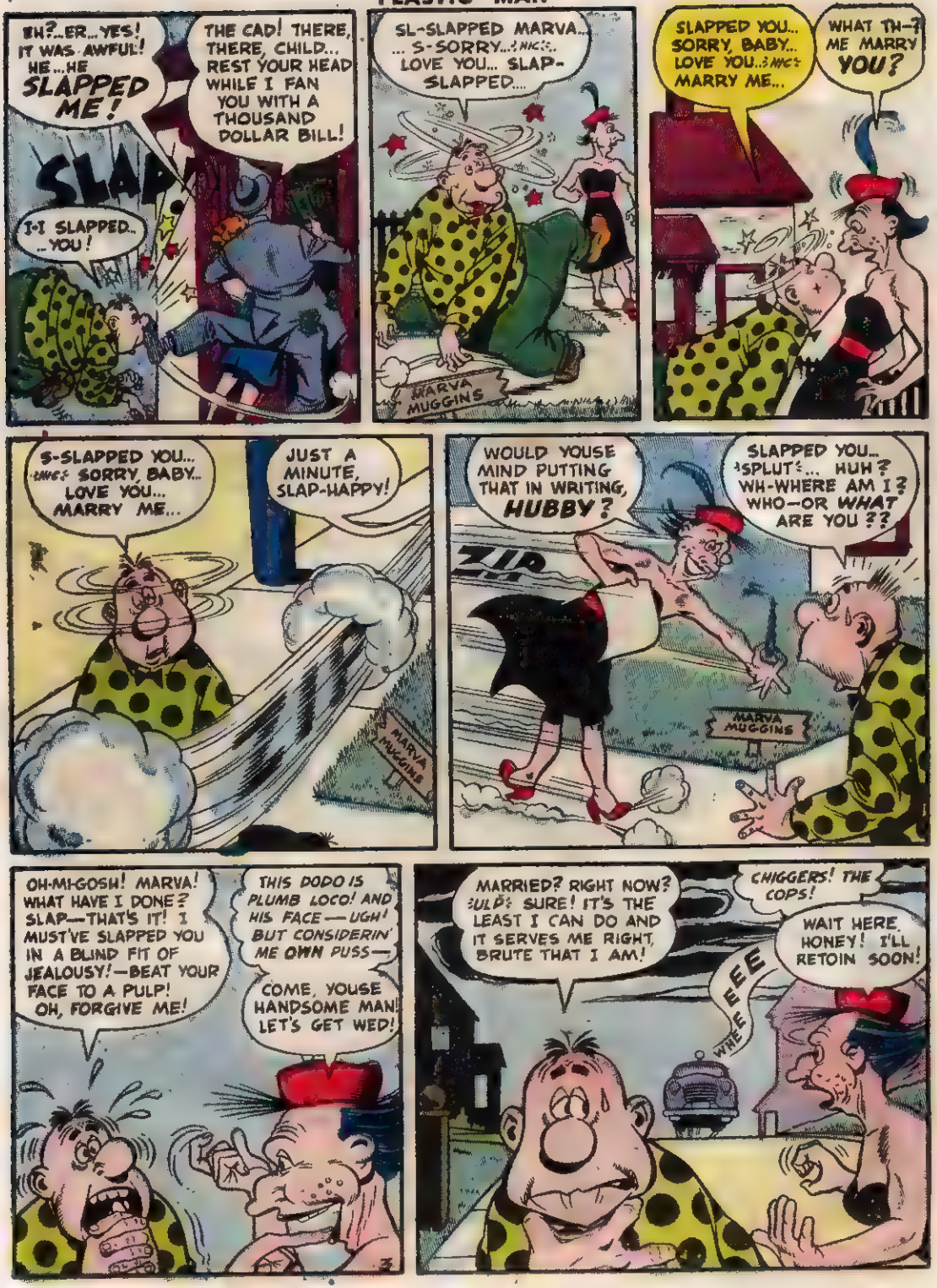
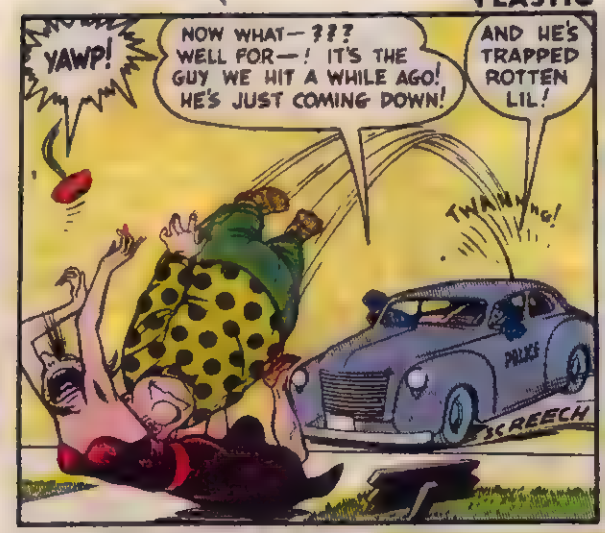
MATCH?
T.N.T.
DUM-DE-DUM GOT A DATE WITH AN ANGEL DUM-DIDDY-DUM
THIS IS COSTING ME A FORTUNE BUT NOTHING IS TOO GOOD FOR A CUTIE LIKE MARVA!
HERE'S HER HOUSE! BE STILL MY FLUTTERING HEART 'TIL I FIND THE BUZZER!
OH, IT'S YOU!
GREETINGS, MARVA! HERE'S THREE BUCKS WORTH OF LAVISH GIFTS FOR THE SWEETEST GIRL ALIVE!

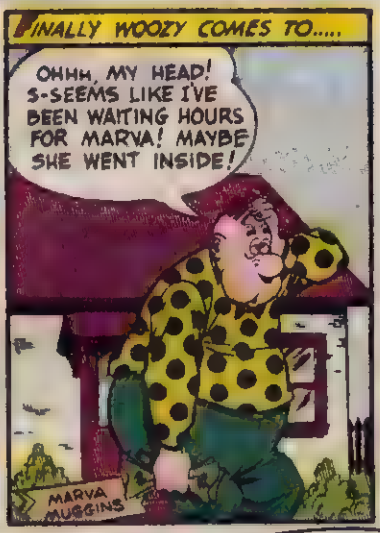
GEE, THANKS! HOW CAN I EVER REPAY YOU?
!
SLAM!
YOU MIGHT START BY LETTING ME INSIDE FOR A CHANGE! I'LL BE NO TROUBLE ...HONEST!! WE CAN SIT IN THE KITCHEN WHERE I CAN DROOL HARMLESSLY ON THE LINOLEUM!
NOBODY INVITED YOU IN THE FIRST PLACE, PUNK!
WHY, MARVA MUGGINS! LAST WINTER YOU SAID IT'D BE A HOT DAY IN JULY WHEN YOU'D GIVE ME A DATE!... SO NOW IT'S HOT!.. SO NOW IT'S JULY!
ONE, TWO THREE... I WILL NOT LOSE MY TEMPER.... FOUR, FIVE, SIX.....
COME!... I'LL SQUAT ON YOUR WELCOME MAT WHILEST WE HOLD HANDS THROUGH THE MAIL-SLOT—JUST LIKE OLD TIMES!
...SEVEN, EIGHT, NINE, TEN! IT'S NO USE! I'M ONLY HUMAN FLESH AND BONES....
FOR THE LAST TIME YOU CHEAP, TWO-BIT VULTURE— SCRAM! VAMOOSE!!
WHAM!
I MAY BE WRONG, MARVA, BUT I SEEM TO DETECT A COOLNESS IN YOUR ATTITUDE!
TELL ME... IS THERE SOMEONE ELSE?
GO AWAY! GET OUT!! I'LL KILL... HUH??
MARVA! PRECIOUS!
COOLCASH! DARRRLING!
YOU POOR, DEFENSELESS CREATURE! HAS THIS VILE PAUPER BEEN MOLESTING YOU?
IS IT SOMETHING I SAID?

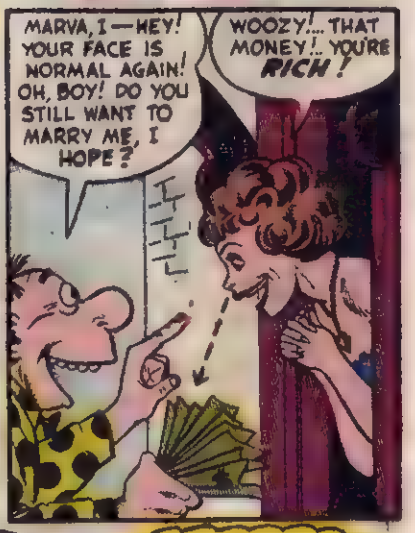

EH?..ER..YES! IT WAS AWFUL! HE..HE SLAPPED ME!
THE CAD! THERE, THERE, CHILD... REST YOUR HEAD WHILE I FAN YOU WITH A THOUSAND DOLLAR BILL!
SLAP
I-I SLAPPED.. ..YOU!
SL-SLAPPED MARVA... ... S-SORRY...HIC!.. LOVE YOU... SLAP-SLAPPED...
MARVA MUGGINS
SLAPPED YOU... SORRY, BABY... LOVE YOU...HIC! MARRY ME...
WHAT TH-? ME MARRY YOU?
S-SLAPPED YOU... HIC! SORRY, BABY.. LOVE YOU... MARRY ME...
JUST A MINUTE, SLAP-HAPPY!
MARVA MUGGINS
WOULD YOUSE MIND PUTTING THAT IN WRITING, HUBBY?
ZIP
SLAPPED YOU... SPLUT!... HUH? WH-WHERE AM I? WHO—OR WHAT ARE YOU??
MARVA MUGGINS
OH-MI-GOSH! MARVA! WHAT HAVE I DONE? SLAP—THAT'S IT! I MUST'VE SLAPPED YOU IN A BLIND FIT OF JEALOUSY!—BEAT YOUR FACE TO A PULP! OH, FORGIVE ME!
THIS DODO IS PLUMB LOCO! AND HIS FACE—UGH! BUT CONSIDERIN' ME OWN PUSS—
COME, YOUSE HANDSOME MAN! LET'S GET WED!
MARRIED? RIGHT NOW? HULP! SURE! IT'S THE LEAST I CAN DO AND IT SERVES ME RIGHT, BRUTE THAT I AM!
EEE WHEE
CHIGGERS! THE COPS!
WAIT HERE, HONEY! I'LL RETOIN SOON!

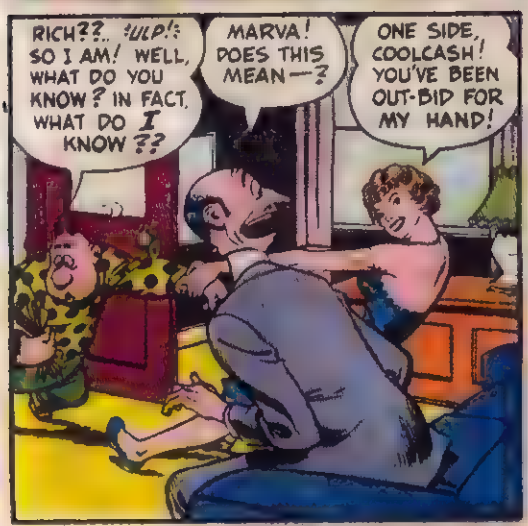

YAWP!
NOW WHAT—??? WELL FOR—! IT'S THE GUY WE HIT A WHILE AGO! HE'S JUST COMING DOWN!
AND HE'S TRAPPED ROTTEN LIL!
TWANG!
POLICE
SCREECH

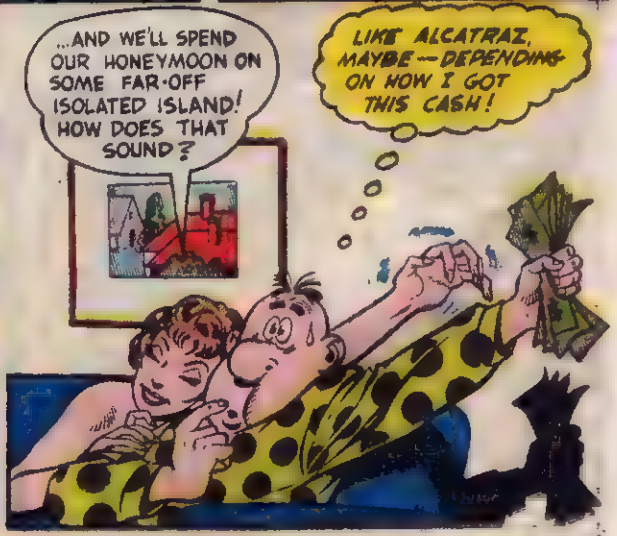
ME OWN FIANCE — TOINING ON ME! THIS IS TOO MUCH!
OF ALL THE DUMB LUCK! THIS ENTITLES HIM TO THE REWARD MONEY, TOO!
AND JUST AS WE THOUGHT WE COULD KEEP IT FOR OURSELVES!

HERE! FOR TWO MONTHS WE TRACK LIL DOWN! THEN YOU BLUNDER IN AND NAB BOTH HER AND THE REWARD! I HATE YOU!!
TWINKLE-TWINKLE, LI'L STAR-!

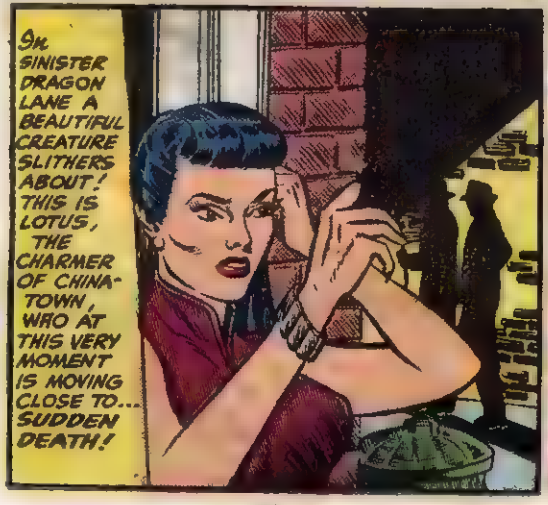

FINALLY WOOZY COMES TO.....
OHHH, MY HEAD! S-SEEMS LIKE I'VE BEEN WAITING HOURS FOR MARVA! MAYBE SHE WENT INSIDE!
MARVA MUGGINS

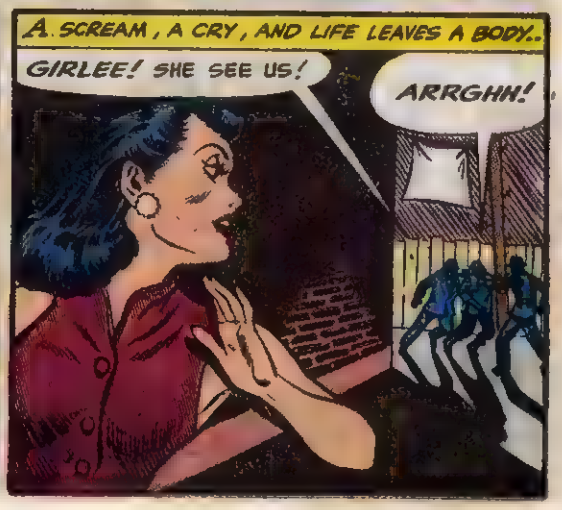

MARVA, I—HEY! YOUR FACE IS NORMAL AGAIN! OH, BOY! DO YOU STILL WANT TO MARRY ME, I HOPE?
WOOZY!.. THAT MONEY!.. YOU'RE RICH!


RICH??.. ULP!: SO I AM! WELL, WHAT DO YOU KNOW? IN FACT, WHAT DO I KNOW??
MARVA! DOES THIS MEAN—?
ONE SIDE, COOLCASH! YOU'VE BEEN OUT-BID FOR MY HAND!

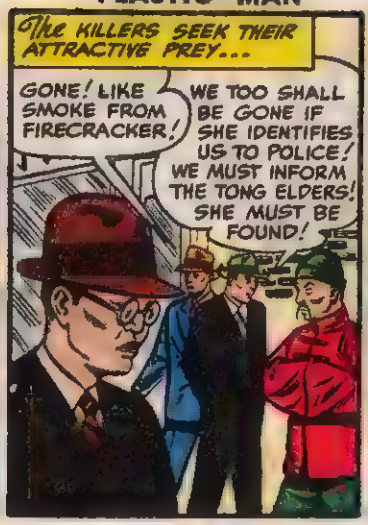

...AND WE'LL SPEND OUR HONEYMOON ON SOME FAR-OFF ISOLATED ISLAND! HOW DOES THAT SOUND?
LIKE ALCATRAZ, MAYBE—DEPENDING ON HOW I GOT THIS CASH!

PLASTIC MAN
S-SUFFERING CATS! SHE ACTS AS IF NOTHING WAS WRONG!
WHAT AROUSED THE IRE OF THE DREADED HATCHET MEN THAT CAUSED THEM TO HUNT DOWN LOTUS LANTERN, A CHINESE BEAUTY? F.B.I. AGENTS, PLASTIC MAN AND WOOZY, RUN HEADLONG INTO AN INFAMOUS TONG MEN PLOT THAT GIVES THEM THE MOST DEATH-DEFYING ASSIGNMENT OF THEIR CAREERS!


ON SINISTER DRAGON LANE A BEAUTIFUL CREATURE SLITHERS ABOUT! THIS IS LOTUS, THE CHARMER OF CHINA-TOWN, WHO AT THIS VERY MOMENT IS MOVING CLOSE TO... SUDDEN DEATH!

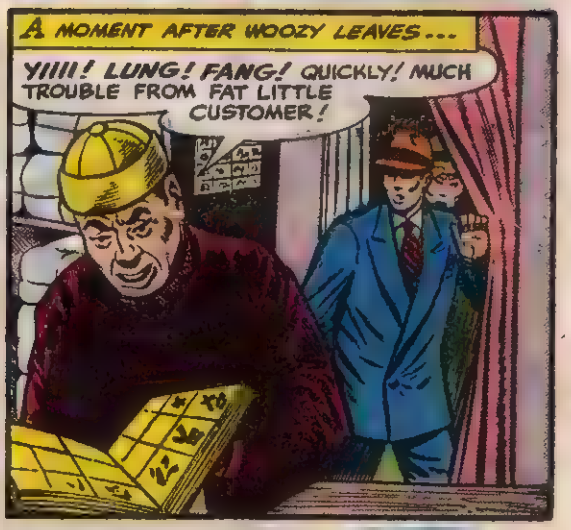

A SCREAM, A CRY, AND LIFE LEAVES A BODY..
GIRLEE! SHE SEE US!
ARRGHH!

VELLY PRETTY GIRL! BUT BEAUTIFUL EYES CAN CONDEMN MAN FOR MURDER SAME AS UGLY ONES!
HURRY! WE MUST END LIFE OF UNFORTUNATE EYE WITNESS ALSO!

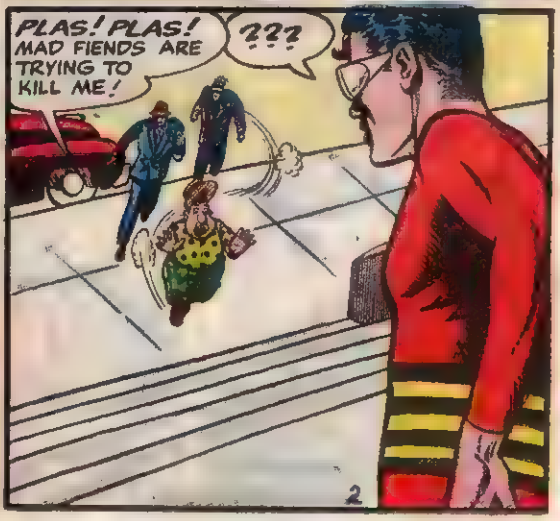

THE KILLERS SEEK THEIR ATTRACTIVE PREY...
GONE! LIKE SMOKE FROM FIRECRACKER!
WE TOO SHALL BE GONE IF SHE IDENTIFIES US TO POLICE! WE MUST INFORM THE TONG ELDERS! SHE MUST BE FOUND!

LATER...
GOSH! I'M LATE MEETING PLAS AT THE MUSEUM! BETTER HURRY!
HINESE
UNDRY

YOU TAKE TICKEE FOR LAUNDRY ON COUNTER!
OKAY!
LAUNDRY TICKETS


A MOMENT AFTER WOOZY LEAVES...
YIIII! LUNG! FANG! QUICKLY! MUCH TROUBLE FROM FAT LITTLE CUSTOMER!

THEN, ON THE STREET...
DRAG HIM BACK!
WHA...? HEY, LEMME ALONE! YOU GONE CRAZY OR SOMETHING?


PLAS! PLAS! MAD FIENDS ARE TRYING TO KILL ME!
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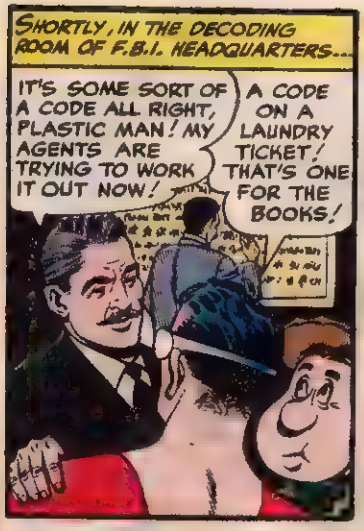
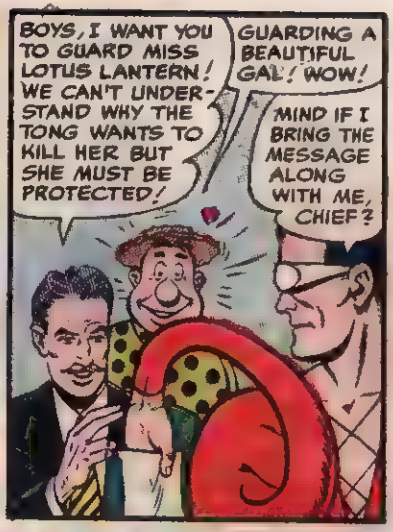
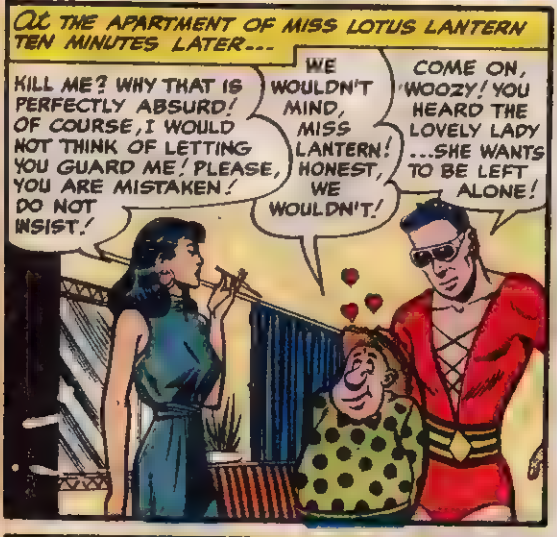
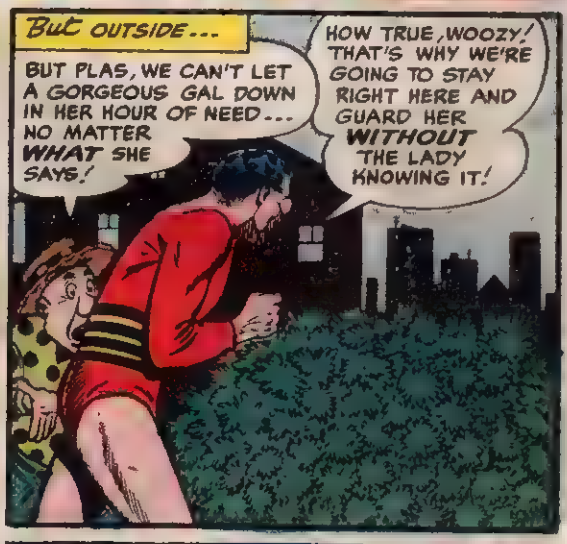
I DON'T KNOW WHAT MAKES YOU SUCH AN IMPORTANT VICTIM, WOOZY--- BUT WE CAN'T HAVE MAD FIENDS CLUTTERING UP OUR LIVES, CAN WE?
YOU BOYS ARE TOO BIG AND ROUGH TO BE CHASING FAT LITTLE FELLOWS!
ULP! MAYBE YOU'RE TOO BIG AND ROUGH FOR ME ALSO! UNLESS...
PSSSSS!
EEEIII!
SERPENT COME ALIVE FROM STATUE! YIIII!
NOW, WOOZY, WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT? HOW COME THE TONG THINKS YOU'RE DANGEROUS ENOUGH TO MURDER?
HONEST, PLAS, I JUST BROUGHT MY SHIRTS TO THE LAUNDRY, PICKED UP MY TICKET AN'... AN' SUDDENLY THEY WERE AFTER ME!
IF THIS LAUNDRY TICKET WAS ALL YOU TOOK PERHAPS THIS IS WHAT THEY'RE AFTER! HMMM, SOME SORT OF CRAZY CHINESE LETTERING ON THIS THING!
WOOZY, I'VE NEVER SEEN THIS MUCH LETTERING ON A CHINESE LAUNDRY TICKET! LET'S YOU AND I HUSTLE DOWN TO THE DECODING ROOM AT F.B.I. HEADQUARTERS AND SEE IF THEY CAN MAKE ANY SENSE OUT OF IT!

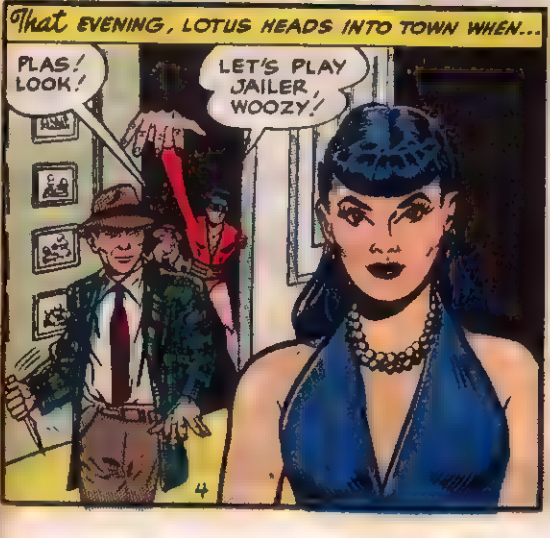

SHORTLY, IN THE DECODING ROOM OF F.B.I. HEADQUARTERS...
IT'S SOME SORT OF A CODE ALL RIGHT, PLASTIC MAN! MY AGENTS ARE TRYING TO WORK IT OUT NOW!
A CODE ON A LAUNDRY TICKET! THAT'S ONE FOR THE BOOKS!

SEVERAL HOURS AFTERWARD...
BOYS, YOU'VE HIT ON SOMETHING BIG! THE CODE WAS A TONG MESSAGE DELIVERED TO ALL MEMBERS WITH INSTRUCTIONS TO MURDER MISS LOTUS LANTERN, A BEAUTIFUL RESIDENT OF CHINATOWN!
MURDER! NOW WHY WOULD THE TONG WANT TO KILL A PRETTY GIRL?


BOYS, I WANT YOU TO GUARD MISS LOTUS LANTERN! WE CAN'T UNDERSTAND WHY THE TONG WANTS TO KILL HER BUT SHE MUST BE PROTECTED!
GUARDING A BEAUTIFUL GAL! WOW!
MIND IF I BRING THE MESSAGE ALONG WITH ME, CHIEF?


AT THE APARTMENT OF MISS LOTUS LANTERN TEN MINUTES LATER...
KILL ME? WHY THAT IS PERFECTLY ABSURD! OF COURSE, I WOULD NOT THINK OF LETTING YOU GUARD ME! PLEASE, YOU ARE MISTAKEN! DO NOT INSIST!
WE WOULDN'T MIND, MISS LANTERN! HONEST, WE WOULDN'T!
COME ON, WOOZY! YOU HEARD THE LOVELY LADY ...SHE WANTS TO BE LEFT ALONE!


BUT OUTSIDE...
BUT PLAS, WE CAN'T LET A GORGEOUS GAL DOWN IN HER HOUR OF NEED... NO MATTER WHAT SHE SAYS!
HOW TRUE, WOOZY! THAT'S WHY WE'RE GOING TO STAY RIGHT HERE AND GUARD HER WITHOUT THE LADY KNOWING IT!


THAT EVENING, LOTUS HEADS INTO TOWN WHEN...
PLAS! LOOK!
LET'S PLAY JAILER, WOOZY!
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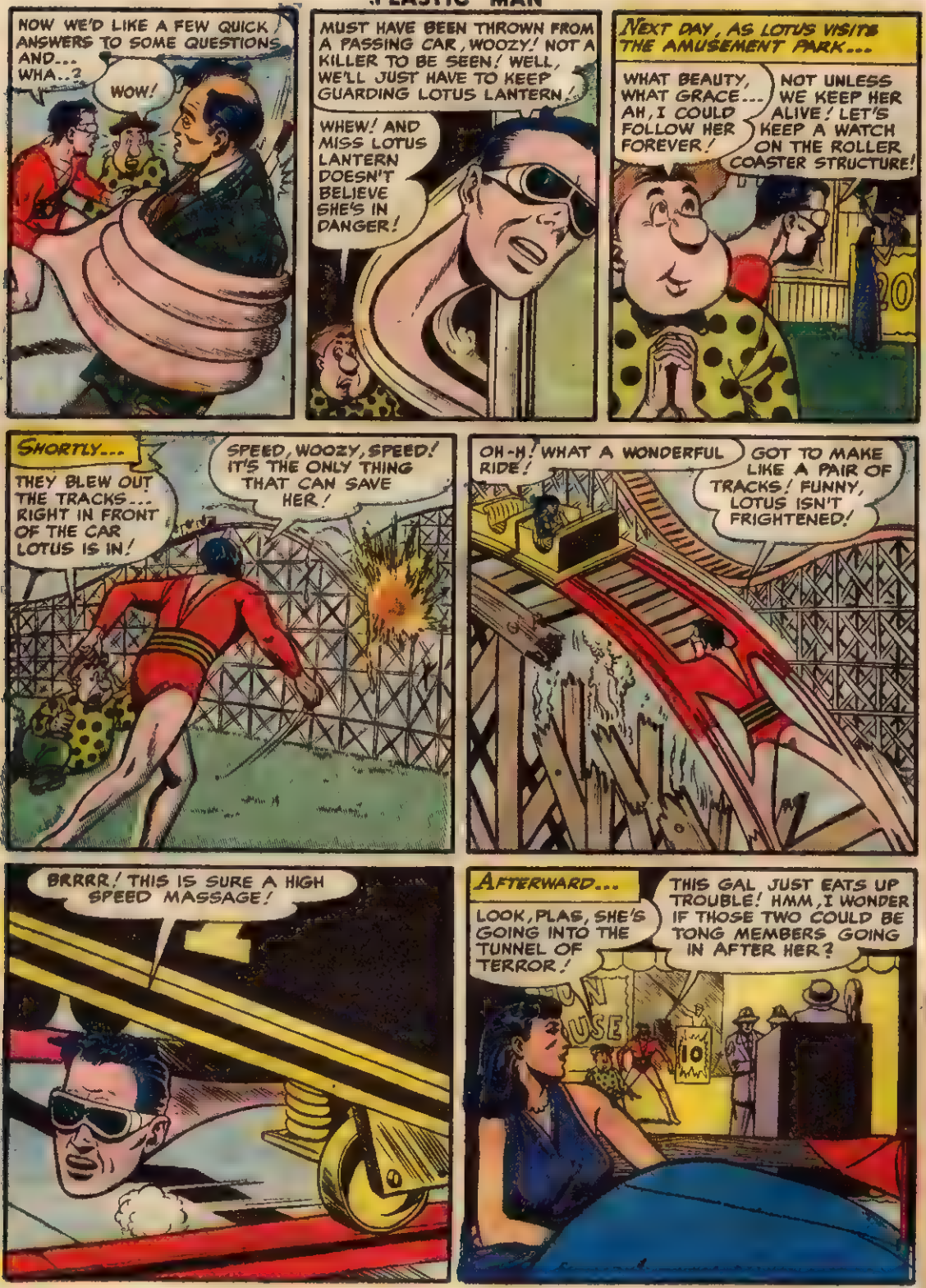
NOW WE'D LIKE A FEW QUICK ANSWERS TO SOME QUESTIONS AND... WHA..?
WOW!
MUST HAVE BEEN THROWN FROM A PASSING CAR, WOOZY! NOT A KILLER TO BE SEEN! WELL, WE'LL JUST HAVE TO KEEP GUARDING LOTUS LANTERN!
WHEW! AND MISS LOTUS LANTERN DOESN'T BELIEVE SHE'S IN DANGER!
NEXT DAY, AS LOTUS VISITS THE AMUSEMENT PARK...
WHAT BEAUTY, WHAT GRACE... AH, I COULD FOLLOW HER FOREVER!
NOT UNLESS WE KEEP HER ALIVE! LET'S KEEP A WATCH ON THE ROLLER COASTER STRUCTURE!
SHORTLY...
THEY BLEW OUT THE TRACKS... RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE CAR LOTUS IS IN!
SPEED, WOOZY, SPEED! IT'S THE ONLY THING THAT CAN SAVE HER!
OH-H! WHAT A WONDERFUL RIDE!
GOT TO MAKE LIKE A PAIR OF TRACKS! FUNNY, LOTUS ISN'T FRIGHTENED!
BRRRR! THIS IS SURE A HIGH SPEED MASSAGE!
AFTERWARD...
LOOK, PLAS, SHE'S GOING INTO THE TUNNEL OF TERROR!
THIS GAL JUST EATS UP TROUBLE! HMM, I WONDER IF THOSE TWO COULD BE TONG MEMBERS GOING IN AFTER HER?
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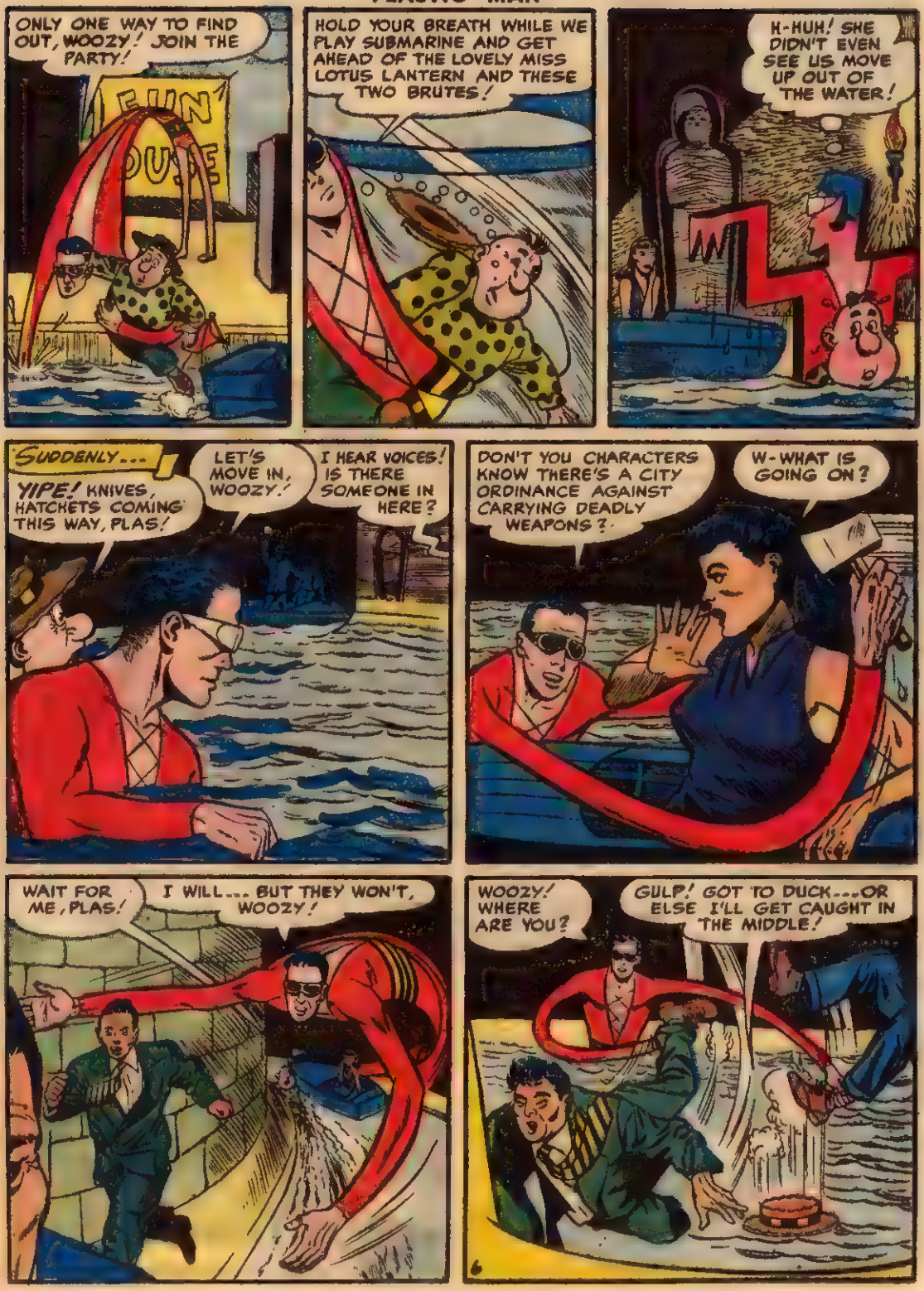
ONLY ONE WAY TO FIND OUT, WOOZY! JOIN THE PARTY!
FUN HOUSE
HOLD YOUR BREATH WHILE WE PLAY SUBMARINE AND GET AHEAD OF THE LOVELY MISS LOTUS LANTERN AND THESE TWO BRUTES!
H-HUH! SHE DIDN'T EVEN SEE US MOVE UP OUT OF THE WATER!
SUDDENLY...
YIPE! KNIVES, HATCHETS COMING THIS WAY, PLAS!
LET'S MOVE IN, WOOZY!
I HEAR VOICES! IS THERE SOMEONE IN HERE?
DON'T YOU CHARACTERS KNOW THERE'S A CITY ORDINANCE AGAINST CARRYING DEADLY WEAPONS?
W-WHAT IS GOING ON?
WAIT FOR ME, PLAS!
I WILL... BUT THEY WON'T, WOOZY!
WOOZY! WHERE ARE YOU?
GULP! GOT TO DUCK...OR ELSE I'LL GET CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE!

WOOZY!
EASY, :GASP: :GASP: EASY, PLAS! I'M WATER LOGGED!
YOU'LL DRY OUT ON THE WAY, WOOZY! WE'VE GOT TO CATCH UP WITH LOTUS BEFORE ANOTHER HATCHET BOY GETS HER!
But OUTSIDE THE EXIT...
FOLLOW THAT CAB, DRIVER!
And MINUTES LATER, AS LOTUS REACHES TOWN...
HMMM! THIS IS WHERE THAT TONG VICTIM WAS MURDERED YESTERDAY! WOOZY, PERHAPS I KNOW THE REASON MISS LOTUS LANTERN HASN'T BEEN SCARED!
HUH? HOW'S THAT, PLAS?
OPTICAL SHOP
AND MINUTES LATER, AS LOTUS COMES OUT..
EEEE! PLASTIC MAN! WHAT'S THAT MAN TRYING TO KILL ME FOR?
FIRST, TELL ME... DID YOU RETURN TO PICK UP THE GLASSES YOU LEFT FOR REPAIR, PERHAPS?
W-WHY, YES! I'M PICKING UP MY INVISIBLE CONTACT LENSES I LEFT YESTERDAY FOR REPAIRS!
THEN SHE WAS PRESENT AT THE TONG MURDER YESTERDAY BUT DIDN'T SEE IT! AM I RIGHT?
Y-YES, MISSEE LOTUS AT MURDER SCENE! WE THOUGHT SHE COULD IDENTIFY THE KILLER!
AND AFTERWARD...
SO YOU SEE, CHIEF, MISS LANTERN'S VISION WAS SO POOR WITHOUT HER CONTACT LENSES THAT THOUGH SHE WAS CLOSE BY SHE DIDN'T SEE THE ACTUAL MURDER! THAT'S WHY SHE DIDN'T NOTICE ME PROTECTING HER!

# Tottering Genius

THE CHIEF slammed a heavy fist down on his desk. "Plastic Man, The Genius gets out of jail today, and he's sure to return to his old criminal ways."

"I'll watch for him at the prison gates and stay close, but out of sight, just to see what he's up to," Plastic Man promised.

At two that afternoon the prison gates opened and the little high-domed figure of The Genius bounced out.

Presently a car drove by and The Genius hopped in beside two big-chinned thugs, members of his former gang. Plastic Man, disguised as a red spare tire on the back, went along.

Later, in his room at a swank hotel, The Genius grinned to himself. "Those idiots of the FBI," he sneered aloud. "Let them jail me and watch me. I've got more brains in my little finger than that dope, Plastic Man, has in his whole wiggly body."

But Plastic Man, now disguised as a throw rug on the hotel room floor, only grinned to himself.

There was a knock at the door. It was one of the thugs. "Boss, we got a present for you. Bring him in, Shakey."

The other dragged in the bound and gagged figure of Woozy Winks. "We found Plastic Man's fat stooge pussyfooting around outside."

"Lock him in the closet and get out," The Genius shrilled, "I've gotta start planning our next job."

The bound and helpless Woozy was shoved into a closet. Plas, sliding in under the door, hissed Woozy to silence and curled up beside him, chuckling. After a few minutes The Genius opened the closet door to check on his quarry. He screamed at the sight of two Woozy Winks, side by side, identical in appearance. His screech brought the thugs running back from down the hall

But when they peered in, Plastic Man had vanished into a crack and the real Woozy lay helpless by himself. The biggest thug, Maxie, eyed The Genius with narrowed eyes. "If I was you, Boss, I'd go somewhere for a nice, long rest. That hitch in the pen can knock a guy with your brain for a loop, sort of."

When the gang had gone down to their room, at the other end of the hall, The Genius threw himself on the bed.

The bed, with its bright red coverlet, swayed gently . . . and then abruptly it tossed The Genius to the floor with a convulsive heave. He bounced up, half angry, half frightened. The bed sat quietly, and no amount of examination revealed anything wrong.

He whirled and snatched the telephone, which now seemed as red as the coverlet had been a moment ago. A voice whispered, "Your number, please?" The Genius shouted, "Get me room thirty."

The telephone squirmed in his hands and abruptly slammed him in the eye. He jumped up, shaking, terrified.

The Genius sat down cautiously on a chair and held his head. Something terrible had happened to him. Those months in prison must have made him stir-crazy. He was seeing things that couldn't exist. If his mob got wind of this, he would be all washed up as a leader of crime. They would lose their respect for him.

"I've got to do something," The Genius moaned. "I'll call them and outline my new crime scheme: That will show them I'm no dope."

This time nothing disturbed his call. In a moment the gang filed in, eyeing their gray-faced leader warily. Looking carefully around, The Genius tried to recover his old habit of command.

"I've got a sure-fire scheme for robbing the Wirst National Bank," he barked. "It's simple for a mighty brain like mine."

"Yeah?" snapped Maxie. "And how about Plastic Man? He put you behind bars once. Let's hear about what you plan to do with him."

"That's simple," The Genius said. "We'll simply use Woozy Winks as hostage. If Plastic Man interferes, he'll get his pal back in little pieces."

"Okay, Boss," Maxie said, "but you better hit the hay for now."

Maxie started to leave and reached for the knob of the red door. The red door suddenly folded into a solid, terrifying figure and a massive fist grew out of the doorknob to slug Maxie head over heels.

"Game's over, boys," Plastic Man said cheerily. "Shall we fight here or go down to the station peacefully and admit an assortment of crimes, including murder and robbery."

His fist slammed out again and again and thugs bounded off the walls like basketballs. The closet door burst open and Woozy Winks, wild-eyed and still draped with the ropes Plas had managed to loosen, burst into the room. The Genius was trying to flee out a window. Woozy hauled the frightened figure back and his own fist slammed The Genius across the room.

"That'll do, Woozy," Plastic Man said, his arm encircling the limp figures. "In his condition of terror, slugging The Genius any more would be sheer cruelty to helpless creatures. Let's take them to the Chief."

"Sure thing," said Woozy proudly. "We really did a good job in capturing the gang, Plas. What would you ever do without me?"

PLASTIC MAN
PLAS! WAKE ME, QUICK! THIS MUST BE A NIGHTMARE!
ZAP
ZAP!
FLYING SAUCERS! MEN FROM MARS! ROCKETS FROM THE PLANETS! HUH! WHO CAN BELIEVE THAT STUFF... IT'S NOTHING BUT SCIENCE FICTION! BUT PLASTIC MAN AND WOOZY AREN'T SO SURE IT'S ALL IN THE MIND WHEN THEY GET A SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT AND FIND THEMSELVES FACE TO FACE WITH The INVISIBLE INVADERS!

HUH! FLYING SAUCERS! WHO BELIEVES THAT STUFF?
YOU'D BETTER PUT THAT BOOK AWAY, PLAS! I'VE A SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT FOR YOU! YOU REMEMBER THOSE NEWSPAPER STORIES OF THE BIG EMPTY ROCKET THAT LANDED OUTSIDE OF THE TOWN OF CORN FLATS!

YES, I REMEMBER! THEY THOUGHT IT CAME FROM SOME OTHER WORLD BUT WHEN THEY DIDN'T FIND ANY INVADERS THE ARMY ABANDONED IT OUTSIDE THE TOWN!
BUT MYSTERIOUS THINGS HAVE BEEN HAPPENING AND NOW THE F.B.I. HAS BEEN CALLED IN!

THINGS HAVE BEEN DISAPPEARING FROM THE HOMES OF THE TOWNS-PEOPLE AND WHEN SOME DARING ONES VENTURED OUT TO THE ROCKET THEY FOUND THEIR MISSING BELONGINGS THERE!
ALSO SOME PEOPLE SAID THEY HAD SEEN ORDINARY OBJECTS, LIKE A CHAIR, SUDDENLY GET UP AND FLOAT THROUGH THE AIR! NOW THE PEOPLE THINK THEIR TOWN IS HAUNTED AND THEY ARE ALMOST PANIC STRICKEN!
THAT SOUNDS SERIOUS, CHIEF! I'LL PICK UP WOOZY AND WE'LL GET RIGHT OUT THERE!
A FEW DAYS LATER...
SO THIS IS CORN FLATS! COME ON, WOOZY, WE'RE GOING TO TALK TO SOME OF THE PEOPLE IN TOWN!
BY THE LOOKS OF THIS PLACE YOU CAN TALK TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE IN ABOUT TEN MINUTES
IT'S DERNED MYSTERIOUS I TELL YOU! MY WATCH DISAPPEARED AND A WEEK LATER I FOUND IT IN THAT ROCKET!
DRUG
I TELL YOU I'M SCARED! I'VE HEARD VOICES BUT I COULDN'T SEE ANYONE!
YOU KNOW I DON'T BELIEVE ANYTHING UNLESS I SEE IT... BUT I'M SCARED!
I'VE HEARD ENOUGH! COME ON, WE'RE GOING OUT TO SEE THIS ROCKET!
GEE, PLAS, DON'T YOU THINK I OUGHT TO STAY IN TOWN AND TALK TO SOME MORE PEOPLE?
IT'S A ROCKET ALL RIGHT, BUT I DON'T SEE ANYTHING UNUSUAL ABOUT IT!
Y-YEAH! L-LET'S GET BACK TO TOWN! IT'S GETTING DARK!

NO, WE'LL CAMP HERE FOR THE NIGHT AND IN THE MORNING WE'LL GIVE THAT ROCKET A REAL GOING OVER!
I'LL C-CAMP HERE! BUT I DOUBT THAT I-I'LL S-SLEEP!
LATER THAT NIGHT...
HUH! I THOUGHT I HEARD VOICES!
THIS IS THE BEST SAMPLE WE'VE SEEN!
WHAT! WOOZY IS DRIFTING INTO THE AIR!
WE'LL TAKE HIM BACK WITH US!
YIPES! HALP! PLAS! LET ME DOWN!
I HEAR VOICES! THERE MUST BE SOMEONE THERE!
HOLD ON, WOOZY! I'LL HELP YOU... BUT I DON'T SEE ANYONE!
I'LL JUST BLANKET THE WHOLE PLACE AND TRAP WHOEVER IS DOING THIS!
P-PLAS! YOU GOTTA DO SOMETHING!
I'M TRYING, WOOZY, BUT I STILL DON'T SEE ANYONE!

WAIT! THERE IS SOMEONE!
YES, EARTHLING! WE ARE SCIENTISTS FROM THE PLANET SATURN! WE CAME IN THAT ROCKET!
WE HAVE COME TO EARTH TO STUDY THE PEOPLE AND THEIR WAY OF LIVING TO DECIDE WHETHER THEY ARE WORTH CONQUERING!
WE CAN MAKE OURSELVES VISIBLE OR INVISIBLE AT WILL SO WE STAYED INVISIBLE WHILE GATHERING THINGS WE WOULD TAKE BACK FOR STUDY!
THIS ONE IS A GOOD SAMPLE OF AN EARTHLING! WE ARE TAKING HIM BACK WITH US!
WE WANT TO STUDY HOW HE GOT SO FAT!
SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU, BUB, BUT YOU'RE NOT TAKING ANYONE BACK!
I KNOW YOU HAVE US SURROUNDED BUT I'LL SOON FIX THAT!
ZAP
HEY! THAT BURNS!
GOOD!
ZAP!
HEY! OUCH!
WHERE'D THEY GO?
POOF
POOF
PLOP!
HUH! THEY BECAME INVISIBLE AND SLIPPED OUT!
IF WE CAN'T GET THE FAT ONE WE WILL TAKE SOMEONE ELSE!
YES! WE WILL DO IT IN THE MORNING!

IT'S NO USE I CAN'T SEE THEM!
I DON'T WANT TO SEE THEM!
I GUESS THERE'S NOTHING TO DO BUT GO BACK TO SLEEP AND WAIT FOR MORNING!
S-SURE, WE'VE G-GOT NOTHING TO B-BE AFRAID OF!
EARLY THE NEXT MORNING...
HELP! HELP! SAVE US!
THAT WAS A CRY FOR HELP!
PUT OUT THE LIGHT! I'M STILL ASLEEP!
COME ON! WE'VE GOT TO GET OVER TO WHERE THE TROUBLE IS!
THOSE CREATURES MUST BE TAKING THAT MAN AND WOMAN AWAY!
YES... AND WE'VE GOT TO STOP THEM!
BUT HOW CAN WE FIGHT THEM WHEN WE CAN'T EVEN SEE THEM? MAYBE WE OUGHT TO CALL THE POLICE ... THE ARMY... THE NAVY...
NO, WOOZY, WE'RE GOING TO SAVE THOSE PEOPLE... BUT I'M GOING TO HAVE TO USE YOU TO DO IT!
THEY SAID THEY WANTED YOU MORE THAN ANYONE ELSE SO I'M GOING TO OFFER YOU TO THEM!
PLAS! THINK WHAT YOU'RE SAYING! TO THINK =SOB= BETRAYED BY MY BEST FRIEND =SOB= AFTER ALL THESE YEARS!
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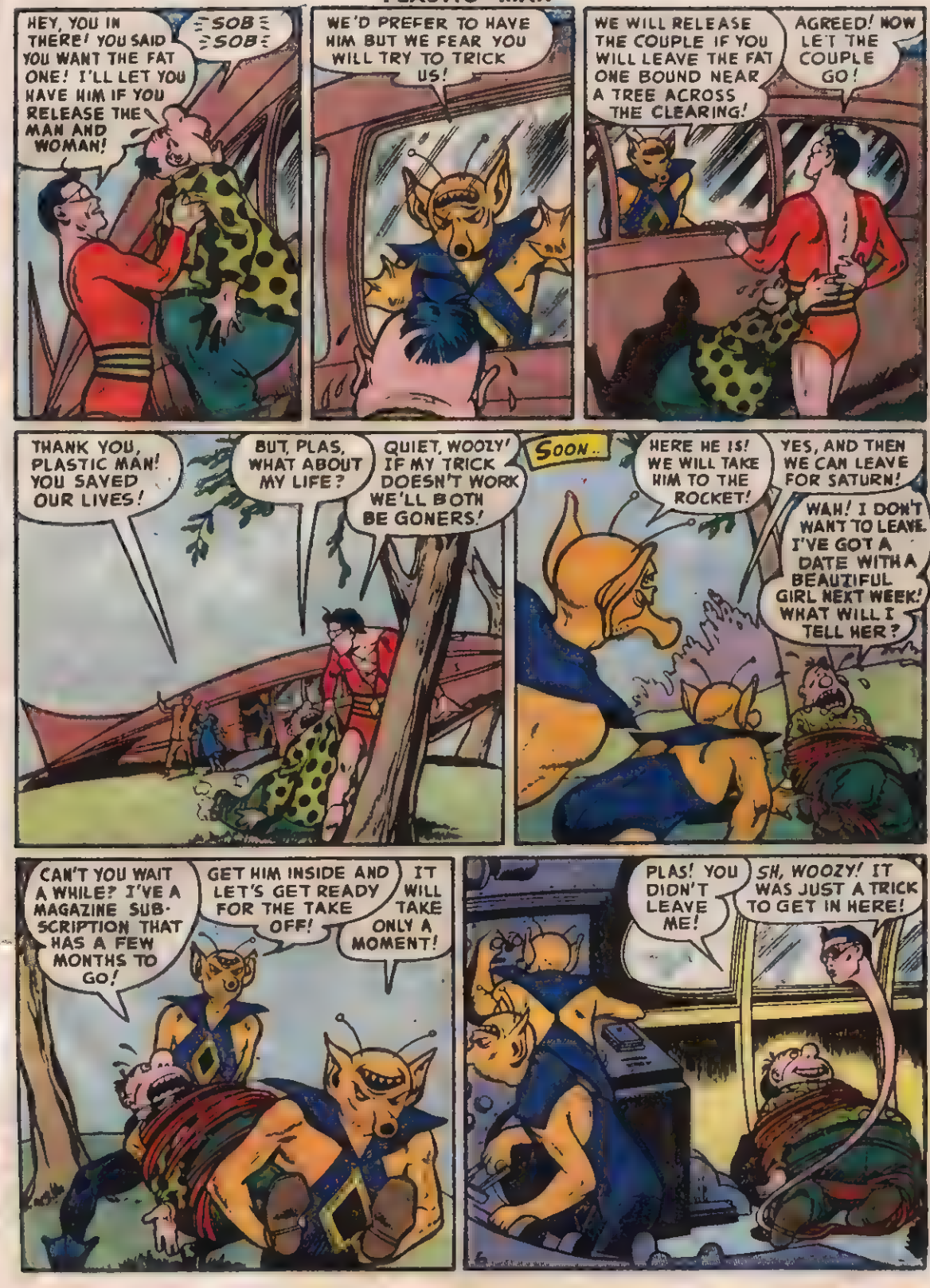
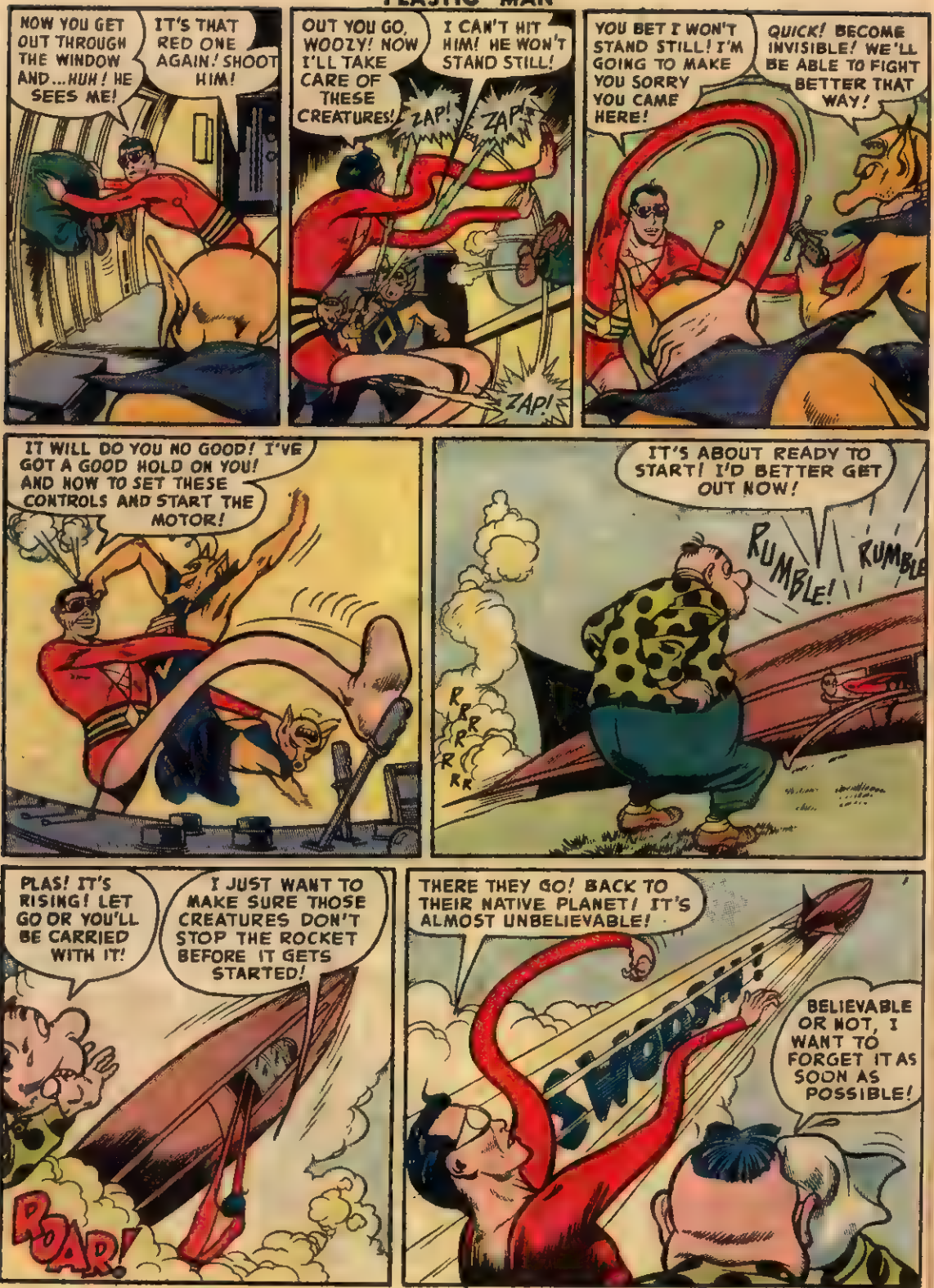

HEY, YOU IN THERE! YOU SAID YOU WANT THE FAT ONE! I'LL LET YOU HAVE HIM IF YOU RELEASE THE MAN AND WOMAN!
SOB SOB
WE'D PREFER TO HAVE HIM BUT WE FEAR YOU WILL TRY TO TRICK US!
WE WILL RELEASE THE COUPLE IF YOU WILL LEAVE THE FAT ONE BOUND NEAR A TREE ACROSS THE CLEARING!
AGREED! NOW LET THE COUPLE GO!
THANK YOU, PLASTIC MAN! YOU SAVED OUR LIVES!
BUT, PLAS, WHAT ABOUT MY LIFE?
QUIET, WOOZY! IF MY TRICK DOESN'T WORK WE'LL BOTH BE GONERS!
SOON..
HERE HE IS! WE WILL TAKE HIM TO THE ROCKET!
YES, AND THEN WE CAN LEAVE FOR SATURN!
WAH! I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE. I'VE GOT A DATE WITH A BEAUTIFUL GIRL NEXT WEEK! WHAT WILL I TELL HER?
CAN'T YOU WAIT A WHILE? I'VE A MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTION THAT HAS A FEW MONTHS TO GO!
GET HIM INSIDE AND LET'S GET READY FOR THE TAKE OFF!
IT WILL TAKE ONLY A MOMENT!
PLAS! YOU DIDN'T LEAVE ME!
SH, WOOZY! IT WAS JUST A TRICK TO GET IN HERE!


NOW YOU GET OUT THROUGH THE WINDOW AND...HUH! HE SEES ME!
IT'S THAT RED ONE AGAIN! SHOOT HIM!
OUT YOU GO, WOOZY! NOW I'LL TAKE CARE OF THESE CREATURES!
I CAN'T HIT HIM! HE WON'T STAND STILL!
ZAP!
ZAP!
ZAP!
YOU BET I WON'T STAND STILL! I'M GOING TO MAKE YOU SORRY YOU CAME HERE!
QUICK! BECOME INVISIBLE! WE'LL BE ABLE TO FIGHT BETTER THAT WAY!
IT WILL DO YOU NO GOOD! I'VE GOT A GOOD HOLD ON YOU! AND NOW TO SET THESE CONTROLS AND START THE MOTOR!
IT'S ABOUT READY TO START! I'D BETTER GET OUT NOW!
RUMBLE!
RUMBLE
RRRRRR
PLAS! IT'S RISING! LET GO OR YOU'LL BE CARRIED WITH IT!
I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THOSE CREATURES DON'T STOP THE ROCKET BEFORE IT GETS STARTED!
ROAR!
THERE THEY GO! BACK TO THEIR NATIVE PLANET! IT'S ALMOST UNBELIEVABLE!
SWOOSH
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